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From: Rahn Garcia

Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 8:28 AM

To: Ginny Petras

Subject: RE: Fire Dept. Advisory Commission

Ms. Petras. You asked that I advise you whether a member of the Fire Department Advisory Commission (FDAC) is eligible to seek election as an officer, immediately after having completed a term of office. You provided me with a copy of the FDAC bylaws which include the provisions governing election of officers. Section III C. of the bylaws state as follows:

“C. Election of officers shall take place at the annual organizational meeting held in January of each year at a day, time and place to be announced in its meeting notice. Term of office is limited to one year.” (Emphasis added.)

This section provides that the term of office for a Commission member elected Chair or Vice-Chair is one year. Multi-year terms are not authorized. This language does not prohibit an individual from seeking a new term of office as Chair or Vice-Chair, once one term has been completed.

Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding this matter.